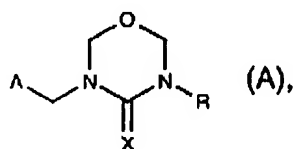


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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A composition for controlling insects or representatives of the order Acarina, which comprises a combination of variable amounts of one or more compounds of the formula



in which

A is an unsubstituted or, ~~depending on the possibility of substitution on the ring system,~~ mono- to tetrasubstituted, aromatic or non-aromatic monocyclic or bicyclic heterocyclic radical, in which the substituents of A are ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₃alkyl, C₁-C₃alkoxy, halogen, halo-C₁-C₃alkyl, cyclopropyl, halocyclopropyl, C₂-C₃alkenyl, C₂-C₃alkynyl, halo-C₂-C₃alkenyl, halo-C₂-C₃alkynyl, halo-C₁-C₃alkoxy, C₁-C₃alkylthio, Halo-C₁-C₃alkylthio, allyloxy, propargyloxy, allylthio, propargylthio, haloallyloxy, haloallylthio, cyano and nitro;

R is hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl, phenyl-C₁-C₄alkyl, C₃-C₆cycloalkyl, C₂-C₆alkenyl or C₂-C₆alkynyl; and

X is N-NO₂ or N-CN,

in the free form or in salt form, if appropriate tautomers, in the free form or salt form, and ~~one or more of the compounds:~~

(L) avermectin B₁ (abamectin);

and at least one auxiliary.

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Claim 2. (Original) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), R is hydrogen, C₁-C₄alkyl, C₃-C₆cycloalkyl, C₂-C₆alkenyl or C₂-C₆alkynyl.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), the cyclic base skeleton of A contains 2 to 4 double bonds.

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), the cyclic base skeleton of A contains 1 up to and including 4 heteroatoms.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), the cyclic base skeleton of A contains 1, 2 or 3 heteroatoms, ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur and nitrogen, not more than one of the heteroatoms contained in the cyclic base skeleton being an oxygen or a sulfur atom.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A) the cyclic base skeleton of A is mono- or disubstituted by substituents ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of halogen and C₁-C₃alkyl.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), the cyclic base skeleton of A is a pyridyl, 1-oxypyridinio or thiazolyl group.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, in which, in the compound of the formula (A), X is N-NO₂.

Claim 9. (Original) A composition according to claim 1, which comprises either
(A.1) (2-chloropyrid-5-ylmethyl)-3-methyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;
(A.2) (2-chlorothiazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-ethyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;
(A.3) 3-methyl-4-nitroimino-5-(1-oxido-3-pyridiniomethyl)-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;
(A.4) (2-chloro-1-oxido-5-pyridiniomethyl)-3-methyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;

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(A.5) (2-chlorothiazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-methyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;

(A.6) 3-methyl-5-(2-methylpyrid-5-ylmethyl)-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;

(A.7) (2-chloropyrid-5-ylmethyl)-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine;

(A.8) (2-chlorothiazol-5-ylmethyl)-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine; or

(A.9) (2-chloropyrid-5-ylmethyl)-3-ethyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine.

Claim 10. (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1, which comprises 5-(2-chlorothiazol-5-ylmethyl)-3-methyl-4-nitroimino-perhydro-1,3,5-oxadiazine.

Claim 11. – Claim 16. (Cancelled)

Claim 17. (Previously Presented) A method of controlling pests, which comprises applying a composition as defined in claim 1, to the pests or their environment.

Claim 18. (Original) A method according to claim 17, for the protection of plant propagation material, which comprises treating the plant propagation material or the site where the propagation material is brought out.

Claim 19. (Previously Presented) A process for the preparation of a composition comprising at least one auxiliary as defined in claim 1, which comprises intimately mixing the active compounds with the auxiliary or auxiliaries.

Claim 20. (Original) Plant propagation material treated by the method defined in claim 18.

Claim 21. – Claim 22. (Cancelled)

Claim 23. (New) The method according to claim 18, wherein the plant propagation material is a seed.

Claim 24. (New) Plant propagation material according to claim 20, wherein the plant propagation material is a seed.